

Job Title:

NAVY: **Clinical Social Worker** - Naval Health Clinic New England, Naval Branch Health Clinic Groton, CT (0-4 billet, Supervisory)

Job Description FOR CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER:

Develops a comprehensive discharge plan for psychiatric patients needing close supervision and specialized care. Participates in early identification of high-risk patients. Initiates discharge planning by contacting Natchaug Hospital and other surrounding hospitals that routinely hospitalize active duty personnel for psychiatric services. Assists Medivac Coordinator in making necessary medivac plans for those patients needing long-term military care. Contacts VA for those patients needing outpatient psychiatric care upon discharge. Maintains effective operating relationships with local legal and administrative departments in discharging psychiatric patients in a timely manner. Provides direct care in the forms of readjustment counseling (individual and group counseling) to service members transitioning back to military life or to civilian life. Prepares written reports for medical records of the assessment, diagnosis and treatment plans. As requested, provides training, conducts workshops and/or lectures for hospital personnel not assigned to the department and other community groups.

As Division Officer for either Behavioral Health Clinic or Substance Abuse Rehabilitation Clinic of Behavioral Health Department, Groton Branch Health Clinic. Administratively and clinically supervises 11-25 civilian and active duty providers, counselors, technicians, and corpsmen. Administrative and supervisory role makes up about 8-10% of duty. Works directly for Head, Behavioral Health Department. As Clinical Social Worker, provides psychological evaluation, treatment, consultation, and duty status disposition services. Patient care makes up 90-92% of duty, including related tasks (training, team meetings, clinical peer review, etc.). Duty includes call, which occurs about one week out of every seven. Call occurs only during normal working hours, and clinical case-load is reduced to 1/2 during call week to allow for emergency same-day evaluations.

Maintains all basic readiness standards as required by the U.S. Public Health Service. Requires a Secret clearance.

PHS officers assigned under this Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) must remain available for PHS deployments. Under this MOA, PHS officers are not authorized to deploy with the military.

Requirements:

License: A Master's degree in clinical social work from a program accredited by the Council of Social Work Education (CSWE) is required. A current, unrestricted, and valid clinical social work license at the independent level from a U.S. State (as defined in 42 USC 201 (f)) is required.

Additional Requirements:

Must be an active PHS Social Worker in Good Professional Standing. Meet the criteria established by TRICARE for Independent Provider Status. Must be trained and proficient in evidence-based treatment of depressive disorders and post-traumatic stress disorders and assessment and management of suicide risk. Initial assignment term is a 3-year obligation.

Location Description:

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Contact Information:

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The cover letter should reference this specific job announcement, state your date of availability, introduce yourself, and provide your contact information to include name, phone, and e-mail address.